## DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

Docket: <u>437-7</u>					
	As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:				
	My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.				
	I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled, <u>METHOD AND SYSTEM PROVIDING OUT-SOURCED</u> , <u>MERCHANDISE RETURN SERVICES</u> , the specification of which				
	(check one) $\checkmark$	was filed on	as United States Application Number or PCT on Number, and was (if applicable).		
200 T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T	I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.				
eel thui theel there	I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all known information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.				
to the state of th	I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(a) -(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:				
	Prior Foreign Applie	cation(s)	Priority Claimed		
	(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)		
	I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.				
	60/174,466 (Provisional Applica	ation No.)	December 30, 1999 (Filing Date)		
	(Provisional Applica	ation No.)	(Filing Date)		

I hereby claim the benef	it under Title 35, United State	es Code, Section 120 of any United States
application(s) listed below	and, insofar as the subject matte	er of each of the claims of this application is
not disclosed in the prior U	Inited States application in the ma	anner provided by the first paragraph of Title
35, United States Code, Se	ection 112, I acknowledge the dut	ty to disclose material information as defined
in Title 37, Code of Federa	al Regulations, Section 1.56 whi	ich became available between the filing date
of the prior application and	d the national or PCT internatio	nal filing date of this application:
(Application No.)	(Filing Date)	(Status-patent, pending, abandoned)

I hereby appoint the following attorney to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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